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SPECIES ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.46 AND
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 5, 2003, applicants elect, for prosecution on the merits in the event that a generic claim is not deemed patentable, the species 2-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)-5-fluorobenzyl-methylamine. Applicants submit that Claims 1-3, 5, 19-23, 25-28 and 30 read on this species. This election is made with traverse.

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In further response to the Official Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: